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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

The Examiner is referred to the List of Prior Art
(Form PTO-1449A).

DE 24 54 824 A1 discloses an electrode for a negative lead storage battery plate which is enveloped by a separator. An electrically insulating spacer partially covers at least one surface of the electrode (see claim 3, page 1 last paragraph and Figs. 1 and 2 of DE 24 54 824).

DE 25 46 972 discloses a lead storage battery with a spacer having an electrically insulating frame covering the outer edges of an electrode.

DE 24 15 076 discloses a method for the manufacture of a plastic track having a porous layer structure for use as a separator for galvanic elements.

DE 17 71 185 discloses a method and device for introducing a separator between electrodes of differing polarity in a primary or secondary galvanic cell.

The applicant assumes that, in accordance with MPEP 1893.03(g), copies of the PCT search document and cited prior art have been forwarded to the USPTO by the European Patent Office. If this is not the case, applicant requests notification of same.

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